

The Gant County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on Monday, December 18, 2006, at 7:00 P.M. at the Grant County Courthouse in Williamstown, Kentucky 41097, with Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, Present; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, Present; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, Present, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, Present and Presiding.

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Magistrate Conrad opened in prayer and then Judge Link led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were: Bernard Mardis-Cable TV, James Perkins, Bobby Young, Candy Link, Representative Royce Adams, Margaret Poor, Doug Jackson and Judy Curry.

Judge Link updated on the Additions to the Agenda.

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Motion of Kenny Messer and seconded by Richard Austin it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of the December 04, 2006, meeting as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval the Claims in the General Expense Fund, Road Fund, Jail Fund and L.G.E.A. Fund for the month of December, 2006, along with the transfers needed to pay said claims. He asked if there were any questions about them.

Motion of Patricia Conrad and seconded by Kenny Messer it is hereby ordered to approve Claims No. 01-791 thru 01-854 in the amount of \$101,328.25 paid out of the General Expense Fund; Claims No. 02-0185 thru 02-0197 in the amount of \$11,452.30 paid out of the Road Fund, Claims No. 03-271 thru 03-303 in the amount of \$236,329.41 paid out of the Jail Fund and Claim No. 04-0000007 in the amount of \$500.00 paid out of the L.G.E.A. Fund for the month of December 2006, along with

the transfers presented to pay said claims.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell L. Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link updated that the Fire Chief for the Williamstown Volunteer Fire Department had requested a partial payment on their funds for this fiscal year so they could pay some of their bills. He then presented for review and approval the Fire Contract with the Williamstown Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Williamstown for providing fire protection for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. It is as follows:

Motion of Kenny Messer and seconded by Richard Austin it is hereby ordered to approve the fire Contract between the county and the Williamstown Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Williamstown for providing fire protection for the 2006-2007 fiscal year as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link stated that the Dry Ridge Volunteer Fire Department did not need funds at this time but wanted to get their contract approved. He then presented for review and approval the fire contract with the City of Dry Ridge for providing fire protection for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. It is as follows:

Motion of Patricia Conrad and seconded by Kenny Messer it is hereby ordered to approve the fire contract with the City of Dry Ridge for providing fire protection for the 2006-2007 fiscal year as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval Chapter 1 (Final Draft) Goals and Objectives for Grant County, Kentucky. They are as follows: He said that the Planning and Zoning Commission has held several public hearings on these and has presented them to all of the legislative bodies of each City in the county for their review and approval and hopefully they will also approve of them.

Motion of Kenny Messer and seconded by Richard Austin it is hereby ordered to approve Chapter 1 (Final Draft) Goals and Objectives for Grant County, Kentucky, as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented the County Treasurer's Monthly Cash Position Report for November 2006. No action is required. It is as follows:

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Judge Link presented for review and approval the Resolution of Appreciation honoring Judy A. Fortner for her service as Deputy County Clerk and County Clerk of Grant County, Kentucky. It is as follows: He said that she will be retiring as of December 31, 2006.

Motion of Patricia Conrad and seconded by Kenny Messer Be it hereby resolved to approve the Resolution of Appreciation honoring Judy A. Fortner as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval the Resolution honoring Charles Hearn for his service to Grant County as Road Laborer and Road Supervisor. It is as follows:

Motion of Kenny Messer and seconded by Patricia Conrad Be it hereby resolved to approve the Resolution honoring Charles Hearn for his service to the county as Road Laborer and County Road Supervisor.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link explained that there could be a problem with the seven day timeline on the Notice that ran in the local paper requesting bids for the provision of Capacity for Disposal of Municipal Solid Wastes Generated by Grant County for a Twenty (20) Year Period, and stated that he and the County Attorney and the 109 Board felt that it was better to re-advertise and open bids again for this item. They originally ran in the November 09th paper and were to be delivered to the office on December 11th and that will be changed for the Notice to run in the paper on December 21st and due to the Christmas and New Years holidays and the office being closed part of the time, they will be delivered to the office on January 04, 2007. He then requested a motion authorizing him to re-advertise.

Motion of Kenny Messer and seconded by Patricia Conrad it is hereby ordered to authorize the Judge/Executive to re-advertise in the local paper a Request for Bids for Provision of Capacity for Disposal of Municipal Solid Wastes Generated by Grant County for a Twenty (20) Year Period, with said bids to be in his office by 3:30 PM on January 04, 2007.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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At this time Judge Link said that we had several in the audience and he recognized Representative Royce Adams who was present to address the Court. He acknowledged the service that the two outgoing Magistrates had given to the county and presented both Magistrate Patricia Conrad and Magistrate Kenny Messer with Citations of Appreciation for their service to the county. He read each Citation out loud and then presented them to the Magistrate. He said they have done a lot for the county and it is a pleasure to honor these two county officials. Judge Link thanked him for this presentation.

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Judge Link also presented for review and approval a Resolution of Appreciation honoring Patricia Conrad for her eight year service as Magistrate 2nd District which he read out loud. It is as follows:

Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Kenny Messer Be it hereby resolved to approve the Resolution of Appreciation honoring Patricia Conrad as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval a Resolution of Appreciation honoring Kenny Messer for his eight year service as Magistrate 3rd District which he read aloud. It is as follows:

Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Patricia Conrad Be it hereby resolved to approve the Resolution of Appreciation honoring Kenny Messer as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, Yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link also presented to both Magistrate Conrad and Magistrate Messer a “Wishing You the Best” Plaque and their name plates as Magistrates. He thanked both of them for their service to the county and all they had done for the county and their cooperation in working together which showed in all that was done over their terms of office. He said that there had not been many disagreements and when they did have one the issue was usually resolved without any conflict or hard feelings and then they went on to the next issue. He stated that he hoped they both stayed involved and let their voices be heard. He is proud to have served with both of them and to call them both “Friend”. They took office in 1999 and grew to be friends, and you can not say that for everyone you meet. Magistrate Austin also stated that he felt honored to have served with both of them and hope people can look around and see all that they have accomplished and he wished them well in the future. Magistrate Messer stated that it has been a pleasure and said that all should try public service. He said you make some good decisions and some not so good. He mentioned the parties and them trying to be nonpartisan and said he can’t remember one time that they had a problem in working together. He said that it has been a pleasure and he has met a lot of new people and learned more on how county government runs and it has been an education. He thanked Buddy Perkins for his dedication in attending meetings etc. He said that the public should be aware of what goes on. Magistrate Conrad said that we are all a part of a whole and no one can do it by themselves. What the Court did they did to help the people. They cared about the people and have helped them. She mentioned the Senior Citizens, the Animal Shelter and said she was told that if

you help the elderly and the animals you have a well balanced Court. She feels honored to have served and she challenged her successor to work hard and serve the people. She said that when the people vote they vote for the entire Court and she feels they have been fair.

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Judge Link announced that Open discussion for the “Good of the County” would be at this time and said that anyone who wanted to address the Court could do so. No one did. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy Prosperous New Year. He hopes all have food to eat and someone to celebrate with whom they love and who loves them. He asked all to remember the reason for the Season and to attend their church if they have one and if not he invited them to attend the services at his church.

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Motion of Patricia Conrad and seconded by Kenny Messer it is hereby ordered to Adjourn until Tuesday, January 02, 2007, at 7:00 P.M.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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GRANT COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE